

# AMATH 351 Homework 1

Due January 14, 2009 (W)

Section 1.1 15,16,17,18,19,20

Section 1.3 1,2,3,4,5,6,13,14,17,19

Section 2.2 6,18,32

\*For figures and Problem 30, download them on the course webpage

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In each of the following problem verify that each given function is a solution of the differential equation.

13.  $y'' + y' = \sec t$ ,  $0 < t < \pi/2$ ;  $y = (\cos t) \ln \cos t + t \sin t$

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \cos t \ln(\cos t) + t \sin t \\y' &= -\sin t \ln(\cos t) + \cos t \frac{1}{\cos t} (-\sin t) + \sin t + t \cos t \\&= -\sin t \ln(\cos t) + t \cos t \\y'' &= -\cos t \ln(\cos t) + \sin t \frac{1}{\cos t} \sin t + \cos t - t \sin t \\ \implies y'' + y &= -\cos t \ln(\cos t) + \frac{\sin^2 t}{\cos t} + \cos t - t \sin t + \cos t \ln(\cos t) + t \sin t \\&= \frac{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t}{\cos t} \\&= \frac{1}{\cos t} \\&= \sec t \quad (0 < t < \frac{\pi}{2})\end{aligned}$$

14.  $y' - 2ty = 1$ ;  $y = e^{t^2} \int_0^t e^{-s^2} ds + e^{t^2}$  ■

$$y = e^{t^2} \int_0^t e^{-s^2} ds + e^{t^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
y' &= 2te^{t^2} \int_0^t e^{-s^2} ds + e^{t^2} e^{-t^2} + 2te^{t^2} \\
y' - 2ty &= 2te^{t^2} \int_0^t e^{-s^2} ds + 1 + 2te^{t^2} - 2te^{t^2} \int_0^t e^{-s^2} ds - 2te^{t^2} \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

In the following problem determining the value of  $r$  for which the given differential equation has solutions of the form  $y = e^{rt}$ . ■

17.  $y'' + y' - 6y = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
y &= e^{rt} \\
y' &= re^{rt} \\
y'' &= r^2 e^{rt}
\end{aligned}$$

$$y'' + y' - 6y = r^2 e^{rt} + re^{rt} - 6e^{rt} = (r^2 + r - 6)e^{rt} = 0$$

Since  $e^{rt} > 0$ , divide  $e^{rt}$  on both sides of the equation. We get

$$\begin{aligned}
r^2 + r - 6 &= 0 \\
i.e. (r + 3)(r - 2) &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow r &= -3 \text{ or } 2
\end{aligned}$$

In the following problem determine the value of  $r$  for which the given differential equation has solutions of the form  $y = t^r$  for  $t > 0$ . ■

19.  $t^2 y'' + 4ty' + 2y = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
y &= t^r \quad t > 0 \\
y' &= rt^{r-1} \\
y'' &= r(r-1)t^{r-2}
\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
&t^2 y'' + 4ty' + 2y \\
&= t^2 r(r-1)t^{r-2} + 4trt^{r-1} + 2t^r \\
&= (r^2 - r)t^r + 4rt^r + 2t^r \\
&= (r^2 + 3r + 2)t^r \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $t > 0$ ,  $t^r > 0$ , we have  $r^2 + 3r + 2 = 0 \implies r = -1 \text{ or } -2$ . ■

## Section 2.2

Solve the given differential equation

6.  $xy' = (1 - y^2)^{1/2}$

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This is a separable equation,

- If  $1 - y^2 \neq 0$  and  $x \neq 0$ , we can divide them,

$$\frac{dy}{\sqrt{1 - y^2}} = \frac{dx}{x}$$

integrate both sides with respect to  $y$  and  $x$  separately,

$$\begin{aligned}\sin^{-1} y &= \ln|x| + C \\ y &= \sin(\ln|x| + C)\end{aligned}$$

- If  $1 - y^2 = 0$ ,  $y = \pm 1$ . Plug it back into the equation to check if it's the solution,

$$x \cdot 0 = 0$$

So all the solutions are

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \sin(\ln|x| + C), & x \neq 0 \\ y &= \pm 1\end{aligned}$$

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In the following problem,

- Find the solution of the given initial value problem in explicit form.
- Plot the graph of the solution.
- Determine (at least approximately) the interval in which the solution is defined.

18.  $y' = (e^{-x} - e^x)/(3 + 4y)$ ,  $y(0) = 1$

$$y' = \frac{e^{-x} - e^x}{3 + 4y}, \quad y(0) = 1$$

This is a separable equation,

$$(3 + 4y) dy = (e^{-x} - e^x) dx$$

Integrate both sides,

$$3y + 2y^2 = -e^{-x} - e^x + C$$

Applying initial condition  $y(0) = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}3 + 2 &= -1 - 1 + C \\ \Rightarrow C &= 7\end{aligned}$$

Hence we get

$$3y + 2y^2 = -e^{-x} - e^x + 7$$

Rewrite it in the standard form of a quadratic equation,

$$2y^2 + 3y + e^{-x} + e^x - 7 = 0$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4 \times 2 \times (e^{-x} + e^x - 7)}}{4} \\ &= -\frac{3}{4} \pm \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{65 - 8e^{-x} - 8e^x}\end{aligned}$$

Since  $y = 1 > 0$ , we only choose the “+” sign,

$$y = -\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{65 - 8e^{-x} - 8e^x}.$$

Function  $y$  is defined on the interval which makes

$$\begin{aligned}65 - 8e^{-x} - 8e^x &> 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow e^x + e^{-x} &< 7 \\ \Leftrightarrow (e^x)^2 - 7e^x + 1 &< 0\end{aligned}$$

Let  $u = e^x$ , then it becomes  $u^2 - 7u + 1 < 0$ , and then

$$\ln \left( \frac{7 - 3\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) < x < \ln \left( \frac{7 + 3\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)$$

Plot graph of the solution

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The method outlined in Problem 30 can be used for any homogeneous equation. That is, the substitution  $y = xv(x)$  transforms a homogeneous equation into a separable equation. The latter equation can be solved by direct integration, and then replacing  $v$  by  $y/x$  gives the solution to the original equation. In Problem 32:

- (a) Show that the given equation is homogeneous.
- (b) Solve the differential equation.
- (c) Draw a direction field and some integral curves. Are they symmetric with respect to the origin?

32.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + 3y^2}{2xy}$

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(a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1+3\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2}{2\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)}$ , the RHS is a function of  $\frac{y}{x}$ , so this is a homogeneous equation.

(b) Let  $v = \frac{y}{x}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}y &= vx \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= x \frac{dv}{dx} + v\end{aligned}$$

Then the differential equation becomes

$$\begin{aligned}x \frac{dv}{dx} + v &= \frac{1+3v^2}{2v} \\ \Rightarrow x \frac{dv}{dx} &= \frac{1+v^2}{2v} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{2v}{1+v^2} dv &= \frac{1}{x} dx \quad \text{when } x \neq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \ln(1+v^2) &= \ln|x| + C \\ \Rightarrow 1+v^2 &= e^C |x| = \pm e^C x \\ \text{denote } C_1 &= \pm e^C, C_1 \neq 0 \\ \Rightarrow 1+v^2 &= C_1 x\end{aligned}$$

Replace  $v$  by  $\frac{y}{x}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}1 + \frac{y^2}{x^2} &= C_1 x \\ \text{i.e. } x^2 + y^2 &= C_1 x^3 \quad x \neq 0\end{aligned}$$

(c) Direction field and some integral curves ■